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TITLE

Imidazolidinones and Their Related Derivatives as
Hepatitis C Virus NS3 Protease Inhibitors

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to a novel class of imidazolidinones of Formula (I):

$$A^{2} \xrightarrow{N} A^{1} \xrightarrow{R^{1}} R^{2}$$

(I)

that are useful as serine protease inhibitors, and more particularly as Hepatitis C virus NS3 protease inhibitors. This invention also relates to pharmaceutical compositions comprising these compounds and methods of using the same.